GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LAW AND JUSTICE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3685
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Income Tax Appellate Tribunals
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Will the Minister of LAW AND JUSTICE be pleased to state:

(a) the details of pending cases in Income Tax Appellate Tribunals as on date, State/UT-wise;
(b) the trend observed from the number of pending cases in the Income Tax Appellate Tribunals over the period of last three years; and
(c) the steps being taken to bring down pendency and the time taken for disposal of such cases?

Answer

ANSWER
MINISTER OF STATE FOR LAW AND JUSTICE AND ELECTRONICS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
(SHRI P. P. CHAUDHARY)

(a) The jurisdiction of the Benches of Income Tax Appellate Tribunal (ITAT) is over one or more states/UTs. Hence, the Bench-wise details of pending cases in ITAT as on 01.07.2017 are enclosed as Annexure.
(b) The details of pendency before ITAT over the period of last three years are as under:-

S. No. As on date Pendency
1. 01.04.2015 1,03,238
2. 01.04.2016 91,971
3. 01.04.2017 92,386

(c) The steps taken to bring down pendency in ITAT, inter alia, include (i) appointment of 45 new Members (Judicial/Accountant) in the ITAT from the year 2015, (ii) hearing of appeals in ITAT through e-courts i.e. video conferencing, and (iii) identification of covered/similar matters so that the same can be bunched and disposed of quickly.
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Annexure

Pendency before Income Tax Appellate Tribunal as on 01.07.2017
S. No. Benches Pendency
Mumbai Zone
1. Mumbai Benches 18365
2. Pune Bench 6539
3. Nagpur Bench 932
4. Raipur Bench 1088
5. Panaji Bench 262
Delhi Zone
6. Delhi Benches 21671
7. Agra Bench 1047
Lucknow Zone
8. Lucknow Benches 823
9. Allahabad Bench 688
10. Jabalpur Bench 630
Kolkata Zone
11. Kolkata Benches 5609
12. Patna Bench 482
13. Cuttack Bench 1124
14. Guwahati Bench 373
15. Ranchi Bench 670
Chennai Zone
16. Chennai Benches 3218
Bangalore Zone
17. Bangalore Benches 4427
18. Cochin Bench 838
Ahmedabad Zone
19. Ahmedabad Benches 12065

20. Indore Bench 1774
21. Rajkot Bench 1913
Hyderabad Zone
22. Hyderabad Benches 3303
23. Visakhapatnam Bench 1196
Chandigarh Zone
24. Chandigarh Benches 2237
25. Amritsar Bench 1320
26. Jaipur Bench 1344
27. Jodhpur Bench 543
Total 94481